

May 16, 2012

Ex Parte

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future, GN Docket No. 09-51; High-Cost Universal Service Support, WC Docket No. 05-337.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On May 15, 2012, Greg Berberich, Chief Executive Officer of Matanuska Telephone Association (MTA), Kenneth C. Bahr, Manager Regulatory Affairs, and Christine O'Connor, Regulatory Analyst, spoke via telephone with Wireline Competition Bureau staff including Deputy Bureau Chief Carol Mattey, Chief Data Officer Steven Rosenberg, Legal Advisor Patrick Halley, and Telecommunications Access Policy Division Deputy Division Chief Amy Bender. MTA sought staff assistance reviewing the recently adopted Quantile Regression Analysis (QRA), specifically data sources used to develop variables and categories which may contain erroneous data. MTA explained it has so far been unable to identify the factors in the QRA which are negatively affecting MTA. MTA expressed concern that while the company believes it has deployed broadband as envisioned in the National Broadband Plan and USF/ICC Transformational Order, MTA will nevertheless experience dramatic reductions in High Cost Loop Support as a result of the Regression Analysis.

Pursuant to the FCC's Rules, a copy of this letter has been filed electronically.

Sincerely,

Greg Berberich

Chief Executive Officer

cc:

Hon. Julius Genachowski, Chairman

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